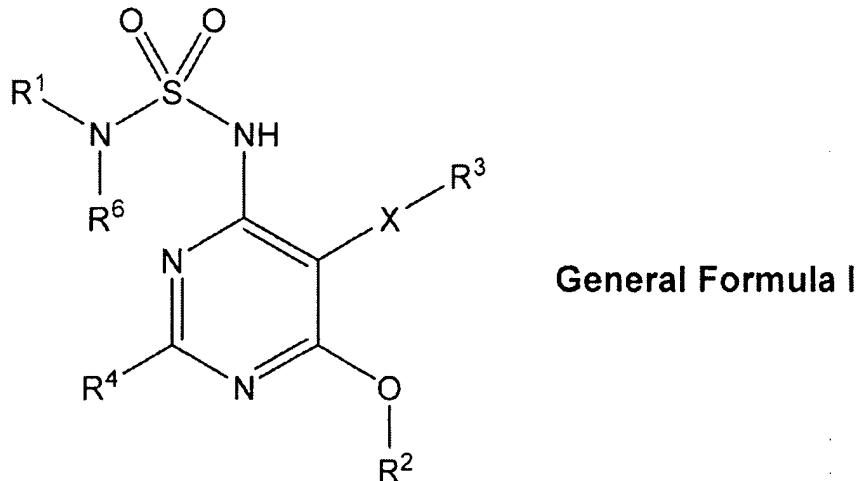


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) A compound of the **general formula I**,



wherein

R¹ represents lower alkyl-O-(CH₂)_n-; cycloalkyl-O-(CH₂)_n-; cycloalkyl-CH₂-O-(CH₂)_n-;

R² represents -CH₃; R^a-Y-(CH₂)_m-;

R³ represents aryl; heteroaryl;

R⁴ represents hydrogen; trifluoromethyl; lower alkyl; lower alkyl-amino; lower alkyloxy; lower alkyloxy-lower alkyloxy; hydroxy-lower alkyloxy; lower alkyl-sulfinyl; lower alkylthio; lower alkylthio-lower alkyl; hydroxy-lower alkyl; lower alkyloxy-lower alkyl; hydroxy-lower alkyloxy-lower alkyl; hydroxy-lower alkyl-amino; lower alkylamino-lower alkyl; amino; di-lower alkylamino; [N-(hydroxy-lower alkyl)-N-(lower alkyl)]-amino; aryl; arylamino; aryl-lower alkylamino; aryl-thio; aryl-lower alkylthio; aryloxy; aryl-lower alkyloxy; aryl-lower alkyl; arylsulfinyl; heteroaryl; heteroaryl-oxy; heteroarylamino; heteroarylthio; heteroaryl-lower alkyl; heteroarylsulfinyl; heterocyclyl; heterocyclyl-lower alkyloxy; heterocyclxyloxy; heterocyclylamino; heterocyclyl-lower alkylamino;

heterocyclylthio; heterocyclyl-lower alkylthio; heterocyclyl-lower alkyl; heterocyclylsulfinyl; cycloalkyl; cycloalkyloxy; cycloalkyl-lower alkyloxy; cycloalkylamino; cycloalkyl-lower alkylamino; cycloalkylthio; cycloalkyl-lower alkylthio; cycloalkyl-lower alkyl; cycloalkylsulfinyl;

R⁶ represents hydrogen or methyl;

X represents oxygen; sulfur; -CH₂- or a bond;

Y represents a bond, -O-; -NH-; -SO₂-NH-; -NH-SO₂-NH-; -O-CO-; -CO-O-; -O-CO-NH-; -NH-CO-O-; -NH-CO-NH-;

n represents the integers 2, 3, or 4;

m represents the integers 2, 3, or 4; and

R^a represents aryl, heteroaryl, lower alkyl, cycloalkyl, hydrogen;

and optically pure enantiomers, mixtures of enantiomers, optically pure diastereomers, mixtures of diastereomers, diastereomeric racemates, mixtures of diastereomeric racemates and the meso-forms and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

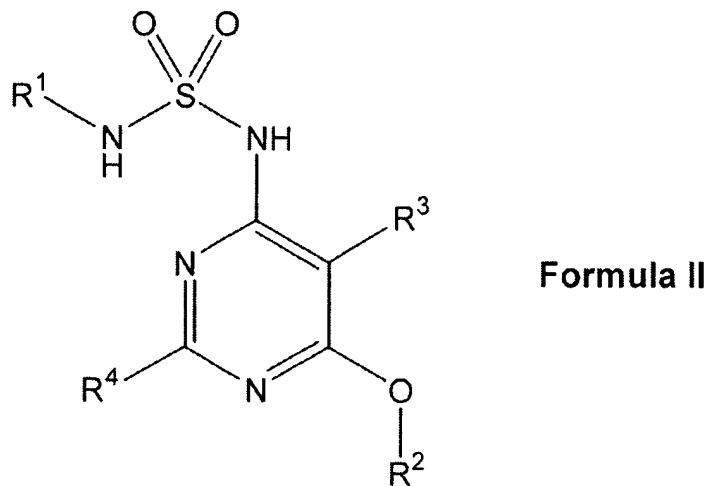
2. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, wherein R³ represents phenyl, mono- or di-substituted phenyl substituted with ethoxy, methoxy or chlorine and X represents oxygen, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

3. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, wherein R³ represents phenyl, mono- or di-substituted phenyl substituted with ethoxy, methoxy or chlorine, X represents oxygen and R² represents -(CH₂)_m-Y-R^a, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

4. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, wherein R³ represents phenyl, mono- or di-substituted phenyl substituted with ethoxy, methoxy or chlorine, X represents

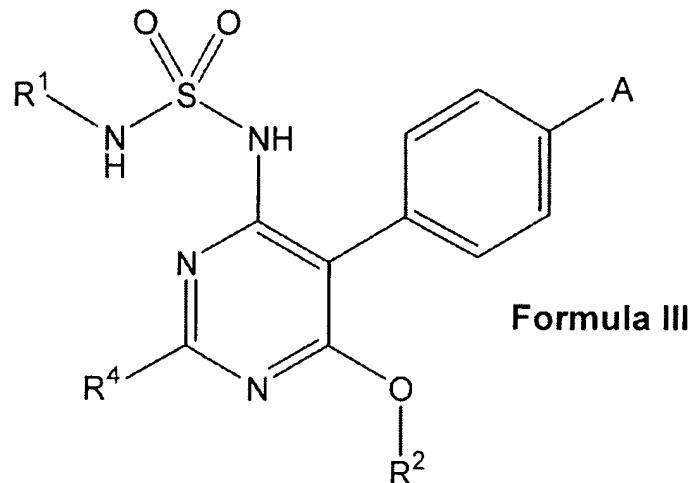
oxygen and R² represents -(CH₂)₂-O-R^a, with R^a being heteroaryl, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

5. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, said compound having **formula II**



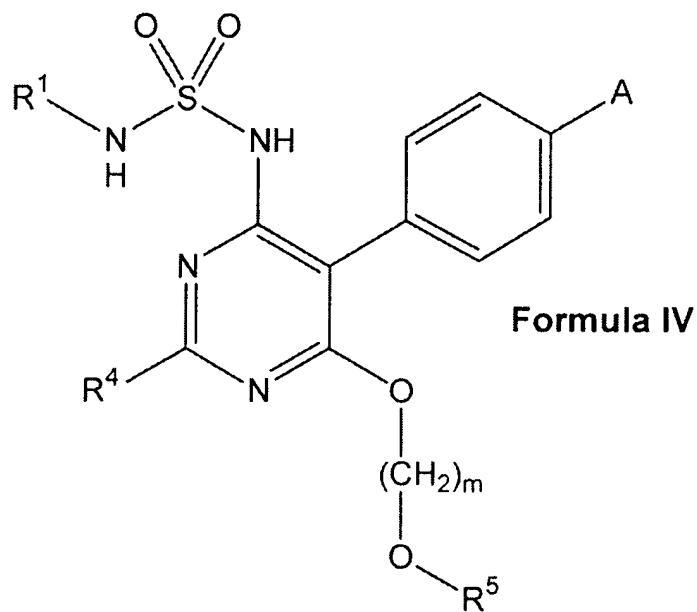
and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

6. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, said compound having **formula III**



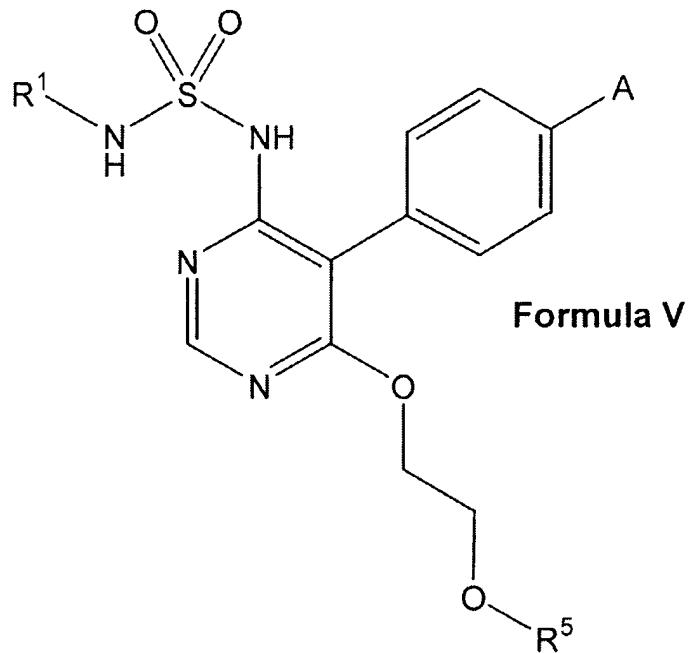
wherein A represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, chlorine, bromine, fluorine, trifluoromethyl or methoxy, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

7. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, said compound having formula IV



wherein A represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, chlorine, bromine, fluorine, trifluoromethyl or methoxy, and R⁵ represents aryl or heteroaryl, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

8. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, said compound having **formula V**



wherein A represents hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, chlorine, bromine, fluorine, trifluoromethyl or methoxy and R⁵ represents aryl or heteroaryl, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

9. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 8, wherein R⁵ represents a substituted pyrimidine, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

10. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 1, wherein R¹ represents CH₃-O-CH₂CH₂-, and R⁶ represents and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

11. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 8, wherein R¹ represents CH₃-O-CH₂CH₂-, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the compound.

12. (Previously presented) A compound selected from the group consisting of:

2-Methoxy-ethanesulfamic acid [6-[2-(5-bromo-pyrimidin-2-yloxy)-ethoxy]-5-(2-chloro-5-methoxy-phenoxy)-pyrimidin-4-yl]-amide;

2-Methoxy-ethanesulfamic acid {5-(4-bromophenyl)-6-[2-(5-bromopyrimidin-2-yloxy)-ethoxy]-pyrimidin-4-yl}-amide;

2-Methoxy-ethanesulfamic acid {5-(4-bromophenyl)-6-[2-(5-methylsulfanyl-pyrimidin-2-yloxy)-ethoxy]-pyrimidin-4-yl}-amide; and

2-Methoxy-ethanesulfamic acid {5-(4-bromophenyl)-6-[2-(5-methoxypyrimidin-2-yloxy)-ethoxy]-pyrimidin-4-yl}-amide.

Claims 13 – 27. (Cancelled)

28. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

Claims 29 – 34. (Cancelled)